

September 17, 2003

Don Melton, Director Arkansas State Police 1 State Police Plaza Drive Little Rock, AR 72209-4822

Re: Advisory Opinion # 483-03-20

Dear Mr. Melton:

This letter is in response to your request for an advisory opinion in accordance with Section 19-11-715(b) of the Arkansas Code Annotated of 1987. Your request for an advisory opinion is based on the following facts:

- a) You wish to be able to contract with retired employees who were members of either the Arkansas State Police or Arkansas Highway Police (former state employee) to perform various regulatory services.
- b) You are requesting an advisory opinion to determine whether such employment would violate Governor's Executive Order #98-04 or create an ethical violation of Act 483 of 1979, The Ethics in Public Contracting Law.

Neither EO #98-04 nor Act 483 of 1979 prevents or requires disclosure of this type of employment.

This advisory opinion is issued in accordance with Arkansas Code Annotated Section 19-11-715(b) and compliance with the above course of conduct is deemed to constitute compliance with the ethical standards of the Act and EO #98-04.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Weiss Director

cc: Joe Giddis

Tom Gay, Office of Atty Gen.